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As a military retiree, I can appreciate the concerns at the Washington-level on escalating health care cost. However, increasing the cost of prescription drugs over 100% hits hard especially to families of lower rank enlisted members and especially retirees. The modest COLA coming in January for retirees is greatly appreciated, however with the increase in home utility bills, gasoline, and other daily use commodities that grateful increase will quickly be consumed. Adding the large increase in prescription drugs will only make matters worse.

This change falls under the old saying, "One step forward and two steps back!"

Respecfully request other areas of cost-cutting be considered.

Thank you for your time.

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